



FACT SHEET:

Stream & Stormwater Control Measure Assessments for **LITTLE LICK CREEK WATERSHED**

WHAT IS A WATERSHED?

A watershed is all the land around a body of water (such as a stream, river or lake) that drains into it.

Everyone lives in a watershed. When it rains, the water that doesn't soak into the ground runs downhill and becomes part of the nearest stream, river or lake.

FAST FACTS

- The Little Lick Creek watershed includes areas of eastern Durham between U.S. Highway 70 and Falls Lake. Some of the major neighborhoods in the watershed are Grove Park, Hidden Hollow, Stonehill, and Twin Lakes. Other landmarks in the watershed are the Durham County East Regional Library, Oak Grove Elementary School, and Southern High School.
- The City of Durham Stormwater and GIS Services Division is launching the Little Lick Creek Watershed Improvement Project. The project will help the City identify and select watershed improvement projects to clean up and revitalize the watershed.
- The City of Durham will conduct the field portion of the assessment of Little Lick Creek watershed from **April 2014 through June 2014**.
- Residents along Little Lick Creek may notice field crews in their neighborhood and conducting stream walks. Crews will be looking at the current condition of the stream and evaluating existing stormwater control measures in the watershed.

WHY IS THE CITY CONDUCTING THIS ASSESSMENT?

This Watershed Improvement Project is part of the City of Durham's efforts to improve the health of our creeks and to comply with water quality regulations. This watershed improvement plan will build upon a local watershed plan conducted in 2006.

HOW IS AN ASSESSMENT CONDUCTED?

An assessment is like a health check-up for a watershed and its streams. By learning about the watershed's current condition and projecting for the future, communities can better understand how their activities impact their local streams, rivers and lakes. This assessment will identify and prioritize potential restoration projects that will improve water quality, improve the health of the Little Lick Creek watershed, and create value for communities in the watershed.

WILL THE ASSESSMENT AFFECT MY DAILY ROUTINE?

Residents should not experience any disruption from these activities. **Little Lick Creek communities may notice the scientists walking and working.** They will be wearing orange vests and carrying identification. Information about the results of the watershed assessment will be made available to the community through a public information session in late May. Information will also be posted on the Stormwater Services website (<http://bit.ly/littlelick>) and on other social media, such as Facebook (www.facebook.com/durhamncstormwater) and Twitter (@durhamstormH20).



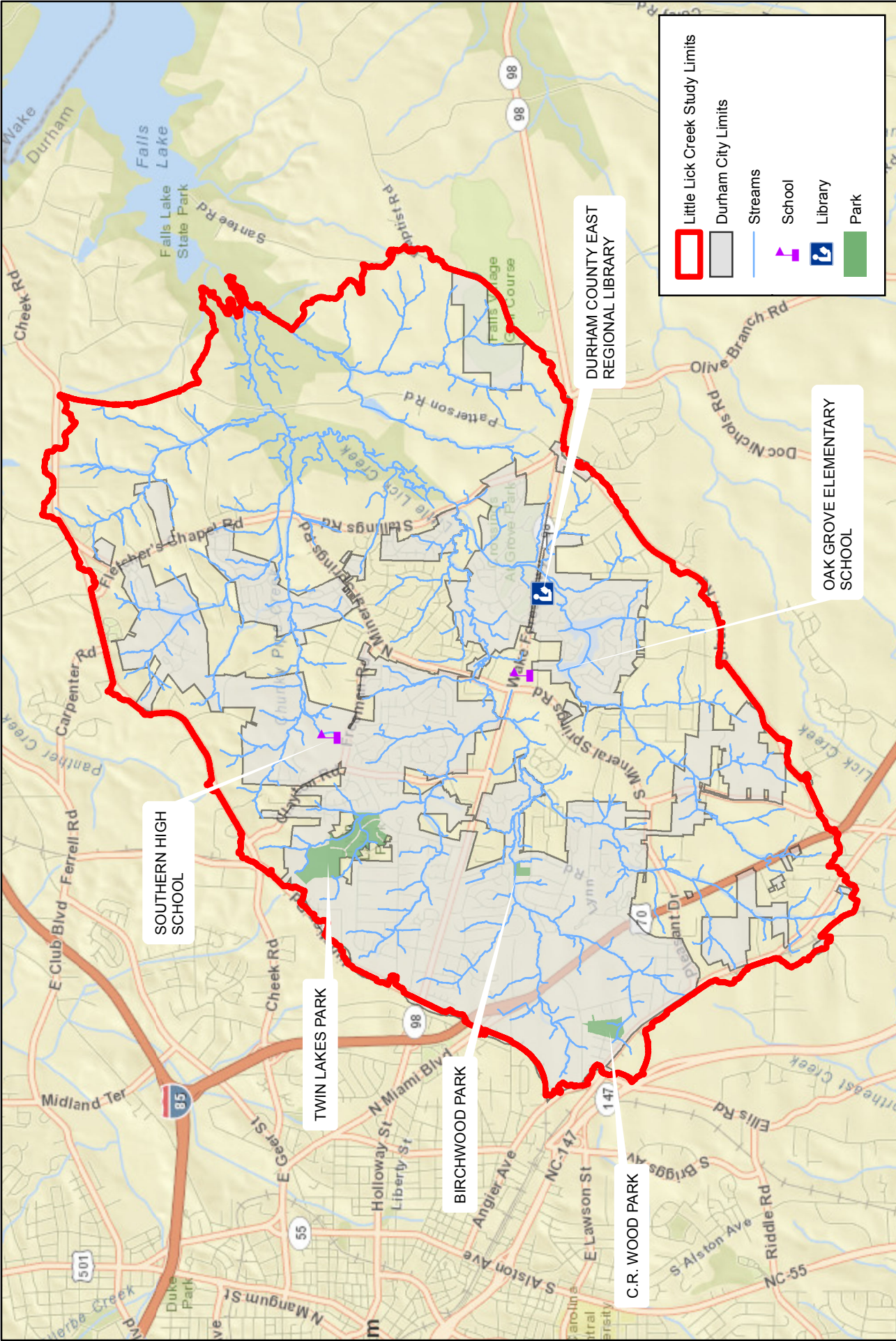
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For additional information, please visit <http://bit.ly/littlelick>. Alternatively, contact the City Project Manager, **Sandra Wilbur** at Sandra.Wilbur@durhamnc.gov / (919) 560-4326 ext.30286, or **Lance Fontaine** at Lance.Fontaine@durhamnc.gov / (919) 560-4326 ext.30257.



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